

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: John D. Dunagan et al.  
Serial No.: 10/686,658  
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For: METHOD FOR PROVIDING GUARANTEED DISTRIBUTED  
FAILURE NOTIFICATION  
Examiner: K. Yuen  
Art Unit: 2616

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.